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The finest money can buy. Delicious and smooth drinking. 25c the pound or four pounds the \$1. It is dry roasted—no water to pay for.

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Notice to Advertisers.

Hereafter all parties desiring advertisements in the COURIER must have the copy at this office not later than Wednesday noon of the week for which the "ad." is desired. We will positively set no "ads." in the future as late as Thursday. Please govern yourself accordingly.

C. P. VANDIVER,
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Our sincere thanks are extended to the following friends who have either become new subscribers or have renewed their subscription to the COURIER since our last issue. May heaven bless 'em.

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An Appreciative Subscriber.

Marceline, Mo., Sept. 12, 1905
Mr. C. P. Vandiver,
Keytesville, Mo.

DEAR CHARLEY:—

Enclosed find money order for \$1. Please give me credit for same on subscription. Thanking you for past favors, and wishing you abundant success in publishing one of the best papers in the world, I am,
Yours very Respectfully,
L. B. EMBREE.

CIRCUIT COURT PROCEEDINGS.

Regular September, 1905, Term at Salisbury.

In addition to the disposition of causes at the regular September term of circuit court at Salisbury, as published in the last issue of the COURIER, action was had in other suits as follows:

CIVIL CASES.

C. D. Turner et al vs. Wm. T. Leach, et al, partition; sheriff's final report approved, and cause ordered to pass from the docket.

John R. Webb vs. Wm. Fulcher et al, partition; Jas. R. Mason, referee, makes final report, is discharged and allowed a fee of \$10 to be taxed as costs; Fred Lamb and Newlan Conkling allowed an attorney's fee of \$75 to be taxed as costs; Receiver F. M. Veatch ordered to pay all unpaid costs, and pay balance as directed by order of court, and make final report at this term.

N. N. Allen vs. Jas. Welch, damages—appeal; trial by a jury who return a verdict assessing defendant's damages at \$110.96. Defendant appeals to the Kansas City court of appeals.

W. H. Summers vs. Wabash Railroad Co., damages; change of venue to the circuit court of Saline county.

Alma Dameron vs. Wabash Railroad Co., damages; trial by a jury who return a verdict signed by nine members in favor of defendant. This is the case in which Mrs. Dameron, who is a lady of color, brought suit against the Wabash Railroad Co. for \$10,000 for killing her 6-year-old son, Edgar Allen, on defendant's Glasgow branch the 30th of last June. Defendant appeals to the supreme court.

Wm. H. Wilson vs. Lyman S. Curry, suit on accounts and notes—appeal; dismissed as per stipulation filed; costs paid by Curry's check.

The Unitype Co. vs. J. L. Ritzenthaler, suit on notes transferred to the circuit court at Keytesville per written stipulation filed.

Coal & Iron National bank vs. J. L. Ritzenthaler, same; same.

Henry W. Fehlber vs. Ida Fehlber, divorce; trial by court, and plaintiff divorced; plaintiff to pay costs.

Lillie B. Crossan vs. Mutual Reserve Life Insurance Co., suit on policy; compromised and settled; costs paid, and judgment by agreement in favor of defendant.

Ben O. Grossman vs. same, same; same.

Jacob Wohlgenuth, vs. same, same; same.

Stella Fleetwood vs. Alonzo Fleetwood, divorce; trial by court; and plaintiff divorced and awarded care and custody of minor children, Carlisle, Marie, Helen Thomas and Chas. Fleetwood; plaintiff to pay costs.

Boerner-Fry Co. vs. E. O. Grotz, suit on account—appeal; continued by agreement at plaintiff's costs.

Estell Johnson vs. Ada Johnson, divorce; trial by court, and plaintiff divorced; plaintiff to pay costs.

Rock Island Implement Co. vs. D. Iglehart and M. C. Smith, suit on account; judgment for defendant, for want of answer, on first count for \$535.25; on second count for \$310.04. Total, \$844.29 with interest at eight per cent.

Linville Sharp vs. John Sparks, slander; trial by a jury who return a verdict for defendant. This was one of the big

suits of the September term of the circuit court. The plaintiff sued the defendant for \$10,000 for defamation of character, the defendant having publicly accused plaintiff on the streets of Sumner with having deserted his wife and going off with another woman. Defendant stated in his answer that he did not refer to plaintiff's present wife, but to his first wife from whom he obtained a divorce, and that plaintiff consorted with other women between that time and his marriage to his present spouse. The jury was out only a few minutes. The plaintiff was represented by C. C. Bigger of Laclede, and the defendant by O. F. Libby of Laclede, U. A. House of Sumner and A. W. Mullins of Linneus.

Kate M. Moore, trustee, vs. Otis Moore, equity; continued.

Drainage district No. 4 vs. Wabash railroad, a question of benefits—appeal; jury discharged, and the finding of the county court affirmed. Defendant appeals to the supreme court.

Rufus D. Burris vs. Mary D. Burris, divorce; trial by court, and plaintiff divorced; plaintiff to pay costs.

Court adjourned between 4 and 5 o'clock Saturday afternoon.

Held for Circuit Court.

Mrs. M. E. Eastin, her 9-year-old son, Frankie, her brother, John O'Bryan, and her brother-in-law, W. H. Bradley, charged with the murder of Joe Denby, a sewing-machine agent, at Mrs. Eastin's home, five miles southeast of Salisbury, three weeks ago last night, had their preliminary trial before Justice Jas. R. Mason in the opera-house at Salisbury last Saturday, and the result was that all four of the defendants were bound over in a joint bond of \$5,000 for their appearance at the next November term of circuit court at Keytesville. The required bond was given with E. M. Williams et al as bondsmen.

More New Suits.

Five new suits for the November term of circuit court at Keytesville, all to decree titles to lands, have been filed with Circuit Clerk Z. T. Lamkin since the last issue of the COURIER. One is that of Jas. Barney against R. A. Patterson, in which O. P. Ray of Keytesville is plaintiff's attorney, and another is that of Thos. C. Sublett vs. Robt. Read et al, in which Crawley & West of Keytesville are Mr. Sublett's legal advisers. The others are Alice Dejanett vs. Wm. E. Moberly, A. L. Friesz of Triplett for plaintiff; J. F. Brown vs. Jonas Long et al, Crawley & West for plaintiff; Mary I. Thompson vs. Thos. E. Thompson, J. A. Collet of Keytesville for plaintiff.

F. L. Elledge, T. V. Phelps and the editor of the COURIER were among those present at the Guy Hurt public sale, near Shannondale, Wednesday. The attendance was quite large and personal property of all kinds brought good prices. On the return trip our party had a short but pleasant visit at the delightful country home of Judge Geo. T. Johnson, and also partook of a good dinner prepared by Judge Johnson's good wife. Then we made a raid, by permission, on G. B. Hurt's pumpkin patch, and we are now revelling in the joys of pumpkin pie.

Probate Pointers.

Annual settlements of estates approved as follows: A. F. Owen & Son, C. F. Owen, administrator, 1st; Mittie J. Stanley, Lewis Lisle, administrator, 4th.

Est. Lola M. Stanley: Lewis Lisle, guardian and curator, presents his final settlement, which is examined and approved, and said settlement showing a balance of \$60.57 due ward, and she, being of age, it is ordered that said sum be paid to her.

Est. Nancy M. Hedrick: On application of A. J. Hedrick, one of the heirs of Nancy M. Hedrick, deceased, it is ordered that O. P. Ray, public administrator, be and is appointed administrator of said Nancy M. Hedrick's estate, and it is ordered that said Ray take charge of said estate in his official capacity.

Allowances as follows: Tracy & Hopper, \$20; Dr. J. W. Hardy, \$74.25; G. A. Southerland, \$30.50; Fulbright Mercantile Co., \$10.07, all being accounts against estate of John Walker. W. W. Riddell, \$208; Bank of Rothville, \$163.25, notes against estate of N. J. Haskell. W. W. Smith, \$5.28 against estate of Legrand Wisdom.

The will of the late Elizabeth Deitrich of Salt Creek township is admitted to probate on the testimony of Conrad and Jessie Neff as subscribing witnesses. A provision is first made for the payment of decedent's just debts and funeral expenses. By the terms of clause second the sum of \$1, each, is left to her sons, Geo. F. and William Deitrich, and her daughter, Mary Monk. Third, the remainder of the estate is willed as follows: One-third to her son, Wm. Deitrich; one-third to the children of her son, Geo. F. Deitrich, except his daughter, Christina, to whom is willed nothing; one-third to the children of her daughter, Mary Monk, except Mrs. Monk's daughter, Mary, to whom is willed nothing. It is further willed and directed that all property going to said grandchildren under this will shall be held by the executor until said grandchildren shall become of age, and it is further directed that no interest be charged against said executor on money held by him for said grandchildren until they become of age. It is further directed that said executor pay to each of said grandchildren, taking under this will, his or her share on the day that each grandchild becomes of age. Wm. Deitrich is named as executor of the will with the request to the court that no bond be required of him, and this request is acceded to by the court. Jesse T. Waugh and C. H. Riddell were appointed by the court as witnesses to make inventory.

The will of the late Wm. Bitter of Bowling Green township is admitted to probate on the testimony of Fred Grotjan and Louis Benecke as subscribing witnesses. The will first provides for the payment of deceased's funeral expenses and all his just debts, and that both be paid out of his personal property. The remainder of his personal estate, after the payment of his just debts and funeral expenses, is bequeathed to his beloved wife, Maria Bitter, to be hers absolutely. Mrs. Bitter is also left, during her natural

life, 80 acres of land, the w. hf of the sw 19-33-18, and 24 acres, the w. pt of the ne of the ne 12-32-19. After her death said land is devised and bequeathed jointly, share and share alike, to testator's sons, Wm. H. Bitter and Edwin Louis Bitter, and to his grand-daughter, Maria Brandt, daughter of his deceased daughter, Henrietta, wife of Fred Brandt, subject, however, to the following conditions and stipulations, namely: Testator's said sons, Wm. H. and Edwin Louis Bitter, and his said grand-daughter, Maria Brandt, shall jointly pay to his daughter, Mary C. Bitter, the sum of \$100 during each year of her natural life, which sum shall be paid annually from the date of the death of his wife, said sum to be paid at the end of each year thereafter. The prompt payment of said annuity to said Mary C. Brandt is made a charge upon said lands devised by this will to said sons and said grandchild, and is to continue in full force and effect till said Mary C. Brandt's death. Wm. H. Bitter and Frederick Brandt are named as executors of the will without bond, and they are so appointed by the court. The will was made August 1, 1905. Rudolph Wessner and Geo. Hechler were named by the court as witnesses to make inventory.

A Reward for Vandals.

Blanton, Ark., Sept. 9, 1905.
Mr. Chas. Vandiver,
Keytesville Mo.

DEAR FRIEND:—

I enclose a clipping from your valuable paper, the COURIER, which Mrs. Surbaugh, my wife, sent me from our home at Sumner, Mo. I thank you very much for your kindness in taking up the matter and putting it into print as to how my mill property has been broken open, and belting, oils, and other materials have been carried off by worthless men and boys. I think it is a shame and disgrace to any civilized community to have property destroyed and carried off as stated in the clipping.

I will pay \$25 reward for the arrest and conviction of any person, man or boy, that broke open the mill and carried off belting, oils and other materials or damaged the mill in any way. I fully intended to return by July 1, last, and complete the mill and start it up on the present crop, but not having my contract completed here at that time I could not return as I would have liked. As soon as I can get through with my work here and all matters settled up I will return and complete the mill and start it again.

Yours very respectfully,
C. W. SURBAUGH.

When the cases of John Meehan and his brother-in-law, Wm. Stevens, charged with assault on Pat Barry of near Indian Grove, on the public highway, near Keytesville, about three weeks ago, were called in Justice Wm P. Jared's court Wednesday, Meehan did not appear, he having skipped by the light of the moon for parts unknown. Meehan and Stevens had both been released on their personal recognizance to appear for trial, but Meehan evidently preferred moving to being tried. When it was learned that Meehan was gone, the case against Stevens was dismissed upon payment of costs.

Death's Decree.

HEDRICK:— Mrs. Nancy M. Hedrick died of old age and general debility at the home of her son, A. J. Hedrick near Westville, Friday, September 8, 1905. Had she lived until next Christmas day she would have been 83 years old. Deceased was the widow of the late Wm. Hedrick, and she was a faithful member of the M. E. church, South. Eight children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Hedrick, six of whom survive their parents, namely: W. L. L. Hedrick, Mrs. Missouri Eads, Jas. I. and A. J. Hedrick, Mrs. John Myers and Mrs. Laura Pryor, all of whom live in the vicinity of Westville except Jas. I. who is a resident of Oregon. "Grandma" Hedrick's remains were tenderly laid to rest in Withers cemetery Saturday. Peace to the ashes of this sainted old mother in Israel.

HOLCOMB:— M. H. Holcomb, for 43 years a reputable citizen of Keytesville, was born in Newlyn, Ashtabula county, Ohio, April 3, 1842, and came to this place when 20 years of age and was made a deputy county clerk in the office of his brother, E. A. Holcomb, which position he held for eight years. He next served the Wabash as agent at Keytesville station for nine years, and during the latter part of his service as Wabash agent he engaged in the lumber business in a small way at the station, and seeing what he believed to be a good opening in that line he resigned his position with the Wabash and had since been conducting a lumber and hardware business at this place up until three weeks ago when he sold out to the Keytesville Lumber Co., and just about that time he was stricken with paralysis and gradually grew worse until his death which occurred Sunday morning, September 10, 1905. February 29, 1872, Mr. Holcomb was married to one of Keytesville's most amiable ladies in the person of Miss Alice Hawkins. Three children were born of their marriage, two of whom, Mrs. Isaiah Knott, Jr., and R. C., with their mother, are left to mourn the death of a kind husband and a loving, indulgent father. But they mourn not as those without hope for Mr. Holcomb united with the Baptist church under the ministry of Rev. Henry C. Barton in the early 80's and was ever steadfast to the faith he professed. He was thoroughly honest and upright in all his dealings and hated that which was dishonest, untrue, hypocritical or sham. He never professed friendship for anyone that he was not his friend in word, act and deed. Would that there were more men like M. H. Holcomb, and there would be fewer hypocrites and brazen pretenders in the world! Funeral services were held at the family residence Monday afternoon by Revs. Alpha Ingle and D. P. Montgomery, after which the remains were taken in charge by the Masons, of which order Mr. Holcomb had long been an honored member, and were conveyed to the City cemetery for interment in the presence of a large assembly of sorrowing citizens of Keytesville and vicinity. We condole with the grief-stricken widow and two surviving children in their bereavement. Mr. Holcomb carried \$2,500 life insurance in favor of his wife in the Mutual Benefit Life Insurance Co. of Newark, N. J.